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MONTHLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER REPORT

This report is now based on information received by the Office of Distribution from Class 1 and Class 2A livestock slaughterers operating under Food Distribution Order 75. It contains information similar to that of preceding reports but has been expanded by segregating the data received from Federally inspected and non-inspected establishments.

WEIGHT, YIELD, AND COST OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED

	:	:	Dec.	:	November 1943	:	December 1943	
Class of Livestock	:	Unit	:	1942	:	Fed. Insp.:Non-insp.	:	Fed. Insp.:Non-Insp.
	:	:	:	2/	:	:	:	:
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<u>Av. live wt. of animals</u>								
Cattle	Pounds	956.02	919.63	870.24	947.46	886.73		
Steers 1/	"	990.99	951.91	861.14	973.97	869.58		
Calves	"	206.39	236.55	226.78	212.30	203.08		
Hogs	"	248.72	238.04	222.22	244.45	214.81		
Sheep and lambs	"	90.61	90.22	86.37	92.25	87.45		
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<u>Av. yield</u>								
Cattle	Percent	52.91	50.56	51.68	51.74	51.78		
Calves	"	54.41	53.85	54.22	54.12	56.07		
Hogs	"	74.39	68.06	68.44	68.31	68.77		
Sheep and lambs	"	44.84	44.39	44.91	45.14	46.43		
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<u>Av. cost per 100 pounds</u>								
Cattle	Dollars	11.42	10.31	11.02	11.02	11.36		
Steers 1/	"	13.87	13.21	12.67	13.86	12.82		
Calves	"	11.97	10.65	11.54	11.21	11.55		
Hogs	"	13.86	13.40	13.42	13.14	12.66		
Sheep and lambs	"	12.61	10.45	13.16	11.67	13.79		

NUMBER OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

December 1943 and 1942

Class of Livestock	Total slaughtered during December		Carcasses condemned during December	
	1943	1942	1943	1942
Cattle	1,200,853	982,403	7,051	5,896
Calves	528,775	475,671	3,760	2,439
Hogs	7,566,817	6,777,890	14,538	13,728
Sheep and lambs	2,257,936	2,174,601	9,116	11,631

1/ Steers also included in "Cattle" data.

2/ Includes Federally inspected and non-inspected establishments.

See next page for slaughter records.

SOURCES OF LIVESTOCK PURCHASES

(2/2/44)

Sources of supply	Unit	Dec. 1942 1/	November 1943		December 1943	
			Fed. Insp.	Non-insp.	Fed. Insp.	Non-insp.
<u>Cattle</u>						
Stockyards	Percent	77.08	79.04	70.37	75.69	69.94
Other	"	22.92	20.96	29.63	24.31	30.06
<u>Calves</u>						
Stockyards	"	62.94	66.86	63.10	61.06	59.96
Other	"	37.06	33.14	36.90	38.94	40.04
<u>Hogs</u>						
Stockyards	"	41.97	47.33	56.81	46.48	54.00
Other	"	58.03	52.67	43.19	53.52	46.00
<u>Sheep and lambs</u>						
Stockyards	"	59.55	65.20	42.84	60.13	44.08
Other	"	40.45	34.80	57.16	39.87	55.92

CLASSIFICATION OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED

<u>Cattle</u>						
Steers	Percent	41.38	36.95	61.74	42.88	62.29
Cows <u>2/</u>	"	55.34	48.76	23.33	43.03	23.00
Heifers <u>2/</u>	"		10.50	6.46	10.78	8.15
Bulls and stags	"	3.28	3.79	8.47	3.31	6.56
Canners and cutters included in above classes	"		29.44	13.49	23.02	11.76
<u>Hogs</u>						
Sows	"	46.75	<u>3/</u> 18.45	<u>3/</u> 3.31	<u>3/</u> 16.21	<u>3/</u> 19.87
Barrows and gilts	"	52.32	<u>3/</u> 81.02	<u>3/</u> 89.22	<u>3/</u> 83.37	<u>3/</u> 77.37
Boars and stags	"	0.93	0.53	1.47	0.42	2.76
<u>Sheep and lambs</u>						
Sheep	"	18.88	28.92	5.25	22.16	6.92
Lambs and yearlings	"	81.12	71.08	94.75	77.84	93.08

1/ Includes Federally inspected and non-inspected establishments.2/ On previous reports cows and heifers were combined.3/ Not comparable in that in the past gilts were included with sows.

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